

THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

VOL. XXV. NO. 20.

BLOOMFIELD, N. J., SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1906.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

POLITICAL CAMPAIGN.

A DELUGE OF NOMINATING PETITIONS.

Contests in Every Election District—First Ward Republicans Endorse Charles J. Murray for Councilman—The Mayorality Contest.

The general result of the numerous political conferences held during the past week, if the action of the conference is ratified at the primaries, indicates a complete change in the administration for the next fiscal year.

Of the Councilmen whose terms expire this year, Charles J. Murray of the First ward is the only one who has a promising chance of re-election.

For Mayor of the town three well-known citizens appear to divide the choice of the delegates thus far placed in nomination. Some of the delegates favor James H. Moore; others William F. Sutphen, and others James C. Brown.

For the position of Town Clerk the friends of Frederick K. Gals are claiming a majority of the delegates. Absolute reliance, however, cannot be placed on such claims. It is anticipated that the Town Republican Convention will be made up of men who will give serious consideration to the nominations they will make for town officers, and will not be swayed in their judgment by political factionalism. In many respects it will be difficult to find a man better qualified for the position of Town Clerk than the present incumbent, William L. Johnson. So far as known the ground of opposition to Mr. Johnson seems to be based only on the opinion of some people that there ought to be a change. The convention delegates will undoubtedly give the question of the clerkship careful consideration.

For Tax Collector, the present Collector, Frank Foster, has every reason to feel, from the endorsements he has received, that he will be renominated and re-elected.

Thus far the opposing elements in the Republican party have refrained from permitting factionalism to enter into local affairs, and the conferences at which town nominations are made, the subject of consideration the invitations to attend have been general, and a free field has been kept open for all aspirants, regardless of "new idea" or "regular" affiliations.

For County and Congressional Convention delegates the case will be different, and the opposing factions will clash in the struggle for control of both of those conventions. The new idea faction swept the town last year, and its adherents are again making an active fight. The "regulars" will line up bravely to the battle again, and they are entertaining hopes that their opponents have weakened since last year.

A deluge of nominating petitions are being filed with the Town Clerk. Every election district presents several petitions, and the Republican primary ticket in each district will be a large one.

Strayed Away.

Thomas Collicy, the three-year-old son of James Collicy of No. 13 Grand street, Montclair, and John Fahy, Jr., the three-year-old son of John Fahy of the same town, started out together on Tuesday to see the world. They wandered along Glen Ridge avenue and then down Bloomfield avenue as far as Conger street in this town, where they were picked up by Policeman Thomas McKane and taken to the police station.

As soon as their mothers discovered that they were missing there was great excitement in the neighborhood. All the houses in the vicinity of their homes were visited, but no one had seen the children. Finally a man was found who had seen two children answering their description trudging hand in hand toward this town. A rumor spread that they had been kidnapped, and then there was more excitement.

Word was telephoned to the police station here, and the welcome news was sent to Montclair that the children were safe and sound here. Later they were claimed by their respective parents.

A little Italian girl named Mary Parsons strayed away from her home on Railroad place, this town, on Tuesday and was picked up by the police, and later turned over to her father.

New Managing Editor.

Announcement has been made that on September 15 Mr. James Martin, the managing editor of the New York Tribune, will retire from that paper to assume the management of the Newark Advertiser. He is to be the president of the Advertiser Company and to direct the policy of the paper. Before going to the Tribune Mr. Martin was connected with the press of Newark, and he has since resided in Newark, and he is thoroughly familiar with New Jersey affairs. In addition to this he is a conscientious, fearless and capable journalist and, with a free hand, will throw the inside of the Advertiser on the right side of all questions relating to good government and public morals.

Reunited-Hickey.

Miss Lillian Hickey, daughter of Michael Hickey of this town, and William Maria Chaudler of Broad street, were married in the Church of the Sacred Heart on Monday morning by Rev. Joseph M. Nardello. Miss Nora Hickey, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Stephen Hickey, brother of the bride, the best man. The couple will reside in Modesto.

Edison Gold Molded Records for September now in stock. Phonographs repaired at Glenwood, 8 Broad street. Post cards, wholesale and retail.—Advt.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Report on Water Department Finances Submitted—Grade Crossings Again Considered.

At the meeting of the Board of Trade Thursday night Dr. Cornelison of the Executive Committee presented a report on water department management. Dr. Cornelison made an investigation of the water department offices of nearby towns in preparing his report. Dr. Cornelison referred to a recent financial statement of the water department which showed no profit and loss account, but showed a charge of over \$3,000 to the town for water supplied to the hydrants. In computing profits, he said, to be used for the extension of water mains this amount should hardly be classed as a profit. The doctor submitted the last report of the water department of the city of Orange, which, he said, showed no charge to the city for water.

"Our officials, however," said the doctor, "are no more inefficient than those of the surrounding towns, as none of the statements obtained by me show a profit and loss account."

He thought that if a proper statement of the condition of the department was made up that while it would make a good showing it would not show a profit.

The committee recommended that a system of bookkeeping be adopted by the Town Council for the water department, and that 4 per cent. of the profits should be set aside for wear and tear.

William F. Sutphen of the Committee on Railroad Interests, said that in the matter of the attempt to establish a grade crossing by the Erie Railroad at Walnut street, the committee had appeared before the Town Council who decided to appoint a committee of this board before any action should be taken. The matter still rests there. Mr. Sutphen also spoke of the accident that was narrowly averted at the Glenwood avenue crossing of the Lackawanna Railroad September 3 and 4, through the carelessness of the gate-man. Mr. Sutphen said that he had written the superintendent of the Lackawanna about the matter, and while he had not yet received a reply to his communication the negligent employee had been removed and a careful gate-man put in charge of the crossing.

Samuel W. Boardman, Jr., brought up the matter of street sprinkling by the trolley company on the street on which the cars pass. A motion passed asking the Town Council to arrange with the trolley company to that end.

John J. Hughes, to whom was referred the removal of an unsightly sign board that had lately been placed on the old library lot at the corner of Broad and Liberty streets, reported that he had learned that the property would be sold within the next thirty days and that according to agreement the sign could only remain on the property thirty days thereafter.

Mountainside Hospital.
One week from to-morrow will be what is known as "Hospital Sunday," when collections will be taken up in all the churches. The officials of the hospital have issued a circular calling attention to the fact that year by year the work of the Mountainside Hospital increases. From September, 1904, to September, 1905, there were 593 cases treated. From September, 1905, to September, 1906, the total number of cases has been 1,083, thus almost doubling the work. Of these, 1,083 cases, 452 have been treated free. In the out-patient department there have been 3,968 cases treated, 523 of which were new cases. A number of these have been chronic, requiring a continuous outlay.

This increased work, the management state, means increased expenses. The friends of the hospital have been generous in the past, and it is hoped this generosity will increase in proportion with the growth of the work.

Charged With Assault.
Edward Shaw was held to await the action of the grand jury last Saturday by Recorder Cadmus on a charge of assault and battery preferred by Bennie Caruso, proprietor of a pool room on Glenwood avenue. It is alleged that Shaw hit Caruso on the head with a beer bottle. It is stated that Caruso then ordered Shaw out of the place, and when he refused to go the poolman took hold of him. This angered Shaw, who seized the bottle and struck Caruso.

Proctor's Newark Theatre.
The vaudeville bill of fare provided by F. F. Proctor for the delectation of the patrons of his Newark theatre during the week of September 17 is a sure panacea for the blues, the principal "piece de resistance" being those inimitable comedians Al. Shean and Charley Warren, presenting their latest travesty, "Kidding the Captain," a burlesque on the life of that famous buccaner, Captain Kidd. These popular comedians are best remembered here as the producers of that side-splitting farce "Que Vadis Update Down." Their present effort is said to be a greater laugh producer and is greatly enhanced by special scenery and lighting effects.

All voters of Bloomfield are invited to attend the meeting in Central Hall Monday evening, September 17th, to hear the real issues of the coming campaign explained.—Advt.

Pathe's Chandeliers.
John A. Pathe of Glen Ridge and Miss Maria Chaudler of Broad street, this town, were married in the Church of the Sacred Heart by the Rev. Joseph M. Nardello Wednesday morning. Edward J. Moran acted as best man, and Miss Nora Pathe was bridesmaid. After a wedding breakfast the couple left for a stay in Atlantic City.

I have a full line of Waterman's Fountain Pens. Pens repaired at city prices. Glenwood, 8 Broad street.—Advt.

RECREATION GROUNDS.

Report Read at the Board of Trade Meeting Thursday Night—Needs of a Public Recreation Grounds Set Forth—A Number of Citizens Favor the Project.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Trade held Thursday night Hugh D. King, chairman of the committee on Recreation Grounds presented the following report:

For a number of years past, since the establishment of the Saturday half-holiday and the introduction of the bicycle, automobile and golf, and the increased interest in base-ball, the people of America have been thoroughly converted to the opinion of the ancients who believed that a sound mind could be of the greatest value only when in a sound body.

The value of out-door exercise and recreation has become recognized to such an extent that a great many cities and towns are acquiring tracts of land for the sole purpose of supplying the necessary grounds for the pleasure and recreation of the citizens, both old and young. New York has its Van Cortlandt Park, Brooklyn its Prospect Park, Newark its Branch Brook Park, and within the past year Montclair has voted to lease bonds to the tract of one hundred thousand dollars in order to provide breathing places and grounds for all sorts of games in a community fast being built up as a solid city.

For several years past games of base-ball have been played on what is known as the Williamson avenue field, and the interest in these games has increased to such an extent that they have become a regular Saturday afternoon event of the town. Last year on the Fourth of July not only were there base-ball games, but also athletic games in the afternoon and in the evening a fine display of fireworks.

This year the celebration was even more interesting, and it was estimated that fully 3,000 people watched the games and that in the evening at least 5,000 came from far and near to witness the display of fireworks.

After this successful entertainment the opinion was expressed by many of our leading citizens that this tract of land should be secured for the benefit of the citizens of the town where they could witness and enjoy just such scenes as they viewed on this occasion.

This piece of property is as perfect a plot of ground for the purpose as can be found anywhere in the vicinity. The sloping hillside forms a natural amphitheatre where the spectators can obtain an uninterrupted view of the events taking place below.

As was said above, many prominent citizens expressed the opinion that this property should be secured for recreation grounds before it was divided up and sold for building purposes. At the last meeting of the Board of Trade the opinion was repeated, and a committee was appointed to look into the matter and see what could be done and report at this meeting.

Your committee finds that one or two lots have been sold, but these, it is thought, can be secured from the owners should it be decided by the citizens that the whole plot should be bought. From the owners of the balance of the property your committee has secured options at prices which do not in their opinion seem at all unreasonable.

Therefore your committee would recommend that the town be laid out in districts and that these districts be in charge of certain workers who will endeavor to secure the signatures of citizens to a petition requesting the Town Committee to issue bonds to a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars for the purchase and putting in proper condition for recreation grounds the plot known as Williamson avenue field.

Just how probably will be heard the remark "More taxes, higher taxes." Let us look at this and see what it amounts to. Suppose your piece of property is assessed at \$1,000—your tax bill for the purchase of these recreation grounds would be in the neighborhood of twenty cents a year. If \$2,500 then fifty cents would be all that would be added each year, not a very burdensome tax after all, and in the mind of your committee money well spent when it is taken into consideration the amount of money kept in Bloomfield by having so many people staying at home who would otherwise go out of town for their amusement. Nor would we leave out of consideration the inestimable moral effect produced on our young people by these games held in the presence of their elders, and who thus find amusement at home instead of abroad. Therefore your committee would recommend that it be the opinion of this meeting that steps be taken to petition the Town Council to purchase Williamson avenue field for recreation grounds, and that the amount to be expended should not exceed the sum mentioned above.

East Orange Water Finances.
An explanation by Water Superintendent Reimer of the amount of water rents in arrears, which appeared to be \$6,282.29 according to the report made to the City Council at its last meeting, shows that the collections have been made very close and that the amount in arrears, that is, for the period preceding the present six months for which assessments are being made, namely, from May 1 to November 1, is only \$146.50. The amount in arrears for the half year is \$5,943.13, with \$193.43 covering meter rates, or \$6,136.56. By November first, when the half year ends, this entire amount will nearly all have been paid, over \$1,000 having been collected since the date of the report. The figures show, therefore, that the department is collecting water rents closely and is in first class condition.

Glen Ridge Items.

Edward F. Mitchell of Ridgewood avenue in New York, who has been appointed teachers in the public school.

Base-Ball.

The Montclair Athletic Club defeated the Bloomfield base-ball nine in an exciting game on the Athletic Club grounds in Montclair Saturday afternoon by the score of 4 to 2. Much rivalry has existed between the two clubs for some time, and the game was exciting to the seventh inning, when Montclair tallied three. The score:

MONTCLAIR									
A.	B.	R.	E.	P.	O.	A.	E.		
Quimby, s. a.	4	0	1	1	4	3	0		
Burpee, 1b.	4	0	1	1	3	4	0		
Whinnery, c.	4	1	2	7	3	0	0		
Williams, 2b.	4	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Quimby, c. f.	3	1	1	0	0	0	0		
Brown, 2b.	4	0	0	3	3	0	0		
Kennan, r. f.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Underhill, l. f.	3	0	1	1	0	0	0		
Greene, p.	3	1	0	2	2	0	0		
J. Whinnery, c. f.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Totals	32	4	7	27	17	3	0		

BLOOMFIELD									
A.	B.	R.	E.	P.	O.	A.	E.		
Shugart, s. a.	4	0	0	2	0	0	0		
Hanbacher, l. f.	4	1	0	3	0	0	0		
Wiley, 1b.	3	1	0	8	0	0	0		
Ragusa, c. f.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0		
O'Neil, 2b.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Tydeman, p.	3	0	1	3	3	0	0		
Yough, 3b.	3	0	0	2	2	0	0		
Burdette, c.	4	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Vesterman, r. f.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Totals	32	3	1	24	8	1	0		

Montclair struck out—By Tydeman 3, by Grey 5. Bases on balls—O'Neil 1, Stolen bases—Bloomfield 2, Montclair 4. Time—1:15. Umpire—Kennedy.

This afternoon on the Williamson oval the Bloomfield club will play the strong Avonia A. C. of New York. This club has a fine record, having played a 1 to 1 game with the Montclair A. A. team, and a good game is expected.

Church Notes.

Beginning September 16, a course of sermons dealing with the Apostles' Creed will be given at the evening service at 8 o'clock in the Church of the Ascension, Montgomery street. Tomorrow evening the subject will be "Belief, What It Is."

The Sunday-school session in Christ Episcopal Church will be at 9:50 A. M. for the balance of the year.

Services in the Watessing M. E. Church to-morrow will be as follows: Devotional service, 9:30 A. M. At the 10:30 A. M. service the pastor will preach a sermon to children and the subject will be "The Three Pupils," and Mrs. Peats of San Francisco will tell about fifteen years of service work in San Francisco. At the evening service Preaching Elder Dr. Meeker will preach.

The Rev. S. Travasa Jackson of the Watessing M. E. Church will preach at a service in the Job House Home for Aged People to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. His subject will be "A Christless Old Age."

The regular session in Christ Church will be as follows: Celebration of the Holy Communion, 8 A. M.; Sunday-school, 9:50 A. M.; service and sermon, 11 A. M.; choral even song, 4:30 P. M.

In the Park M. E. Church Dr. Jesse L. Hurlbut, the pastor, will preach to-morrow morning the first of a monthly series of sermons to Bible students on "The Church in the Old Testament—God's Peculiar People."

Arrested for Illegal Shooting.

Fish and Game Commissioner Percy H. Johnson and State Warden Frederick J. Hall arrested an Italian named Angelo Franzese in Delaware last Saturday morning, after a desperate struggle, and took the prisoner to Paterson, where he will be arraigned before a justice for violating the game laws. Johnson confiscated a bag which the Italian carried, containing two dozen song birds, principally robins and brown thrushes.

The commissioner had been informed that the Italian had been killing off the song birds for some time in a swamp near the river in Delaware, close to the bridge of the Lackawanna Railroad, so Johnson and Hall took up a position near the spot. After waiting for two hours they saw Franzese emerge from the bushes a short distance away. They attempted to stop him, and when John son tried to ascertain the contents of the bag, the Italian put up a fight. The struggle lasted for several minutes, at one time the three men sprawling upon the roadway. After a hard struggle the Italian submitted to arrest. The birds had been killed with gun shots, but the officials failed to find any weapon on the prisoner. They think he hid it for fear of attracting attention going to and from the spot.

An Old Timer Dead.

Eliaz Riker, one of the oldest native residents of Montclair, and a former resident of Myrtle street, this town, died last week at the home of John F. Gentzel, his son-in-law, at Short Hills. He was the son of Mathew Riker one of the early settlers of Montclair, and lived there nearly all his life. Last October Mr. Riker and his wife celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, and Mr. Riker told how he and his wife went on their wedding journey to Chicago fifty years ago by steam packets and canal boats, and drove back in stage coaches. Ten years later they made another trip to that city, accompanied by their six children, making the entire trip by wagon.

Mrs. Adelaide A. Fairbanks.

Mrs. Adelaide A. Fairbanks, wife of Joseph Fairbanks, and daughter of the late Peter V. W. Bishop, died Saturday in the Homeopathic Hospital, Newark, from the effects of an operation. Mrs. Fairbanks, after the death of her husband, was adopted by Mrs. and Mr. Thomas McGowan, with whom she lived at the time of her death. She was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and, besides her husband, was survived by one son, Howard. Her funeral was held from the home of Mr. McGowan, in Montgomery street, on Monday morning.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

OPENED MONDAY FOR THE FALL TERM.

Increased Attendance Over Last Year—Corps of Teachers in Charge for the New Year—Board of Education Meeting.

The public schools opened Monday with an increased attendance. Superintendent Morris expects that by the first of October the increase over last year will be much larger. The schools this year are in charge of the following corps of teachers:

Superintendent, George Morris. High School, No. 1—P. J. Smith, E. L. Draper, M. C. Gay, M. H. Hasbrouck, M. M. Draper, E. M. Brace, F. L. Loebe, O. R. Smiley, J. E. Magee, E. R. Wyman.

Berkley School, No. 2—Principal, M. Martin; K. Marjorie N. Melvain; C. O. Grace A. Sheldoon; I. E. Schneider; II, III, Edna E. Lockwood; IV, Eva M. Vincent; V, Mabel A. White; VI, Norma G. Markley; VII, VIII, A. S. Agnew; VI, Louise M. Cudney.

Brookdale School, No. 3—Principal, L. Arville Martin; K. A. Springmeyer; C. O. E. Walker; I, F. A. Huston; II, A. Louise Dally; III, Neola M. Conrad; IV, Ethelene K. Wood; V, Nellie E. Goss; VI, Mabel Freeman; VII, VIII, E. R. Watson.

Center School, No. 4—Principal, Lizzie Ogle; K. H. D. Bowne; C. O. Albee Bailey; special, Cleo Murland; I, Edith O. Wadleigh; II, Katherine N. Ackert; Flora T. Dano; III, J. I. Myers; IV, Margaret Geppner or E. Wilson; V, M. L. Elliott; VI, Anna P. Thomas; VII, Grace E. Jones; VIII, M. J. Sloat.

Brookdale School, No. 5—Principal, M. A. Gulick; K. I. II, Marion Lambert. Silver Lake School, No. 6—Principal, P. J. Kennedy; K. I, II, Elnora Moore. Fairview School, No. 7—Principal, L. E. Robinson; K. E. Ferguson; C. O. E. L. Bishop; I, B. M. Wood; II, H. L. Schakowski; III, L. Galloway; IV, Ruth Thomas; V, Carrie J. Chamberlain; VI, Ethel Smith; VII, VIII, Hadie E. Beger.

Watessing School, No. 8—Principal, Thomas Agnew; K. Blanche H. Oran; C. O. M. Estelle Dodd; I, Helen Collier; II, Elsie L. Robinson; III, V. R. Hubener; IV, Ella Baird; V, Anna T. Robinson; VI, Edna B. Lockwood; VII, VIII, M. G. Thomas.

Manual Training—Anna S. Carson, Nellie E. Foster, Harriet H. Jones, Anna P. Thomas, Wm. E. La Quay.

Fatal Trolley Car Accident.

Joseph Colbino, an Italian living in the Silver Lake district, had a fatal fall from a trolley car on Bloomfield avenue, near the city line, Monday night. He was a passenger on a northbound trolley car, and when the latter reached Edison street, it is claimed, he gave the conductor the signal to stop, but the car did not halt. At Thomas street he attempted to leap off, but his foot in some manner got caught in the runboard and he was dragged about 150 feet before the car was stopped. Colbino was taken in an ambulance to the Mountainside Hospital, where he died at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning, without regaining consciousness. His skull was fractured, and he was bruised and cut about the body.

Pleasant Affair.

A spar-deck dance took place on the Portsmouth at Hoboken last Saturday night, the United States ship used by the New Jersey Naval Reserves. It was attended by about 250 persons from various parts of the State, including guests from the Oranges, Montclair and this town. The Portsmouth was gay from stem to stern and from the lowest deck to the topmast spar with signal flags, red lanterns, var-colored electric lights and other decorations. The ladies predominated in the party, and those who went from here were high in their praise of the affair.

Mrs. Mary Hayes Perry.

After an illness of more than a year Mrs. Mary Hayes Perry, daughter of the late Thomas E. Hayes and daughter-in-law of the late Mayor Nebelush Perry of Newark, died at her home in Benson street Sunday morning. Mrs. Perry was born in this town and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. She is survived by one son, N. Lawrence Perry, one of the staff of the New York Evening Post, the funeral was held Wednesday afternoon.

Military Company Election.

Francis Biogel Company No. 12, U. S. S. E., held its annual meeting and election of officers Monday at A. Leuthauser's hotel. The following officers were elected: Captain, G. R. Francis; first lieutenant, David Draper; second lieutenant, L. J. Herold; recording secretary, L. H. Retzel; financial secretary, Frank Zargis; treasurer, Henry G. Rolipf; finance committee, J. Losen, H. Wittenstein, Thomas Gueser; color bearer, J. Losen; delegate to the executive committee, H. G. Rolipf. After the formal business meeting a banquet was enjoyed at which speeches were made by Captain Francis and other officers of the company, and Messrs. Leuthauser, Zargis, Rolipf and others.

Come and hear the New Idea explained; it will interest you; Monday evening, September 17th, in Central Hall.—Advt.